

Table 1: Public Services Provided by Special Districts

Type	Water Service	Sewer Service	Other Services
California Water District (Sections 34000-38500, Water Code)	Acquisition of works for the production, storage, transmission, and distribution of water for irrigation, domestic, industrial, and municipal purposes and any drainage or reclamation works connected with such undertakings	Acquisition and operation of facilities and services for the collection and treatment and disposal of sewage, waste, and storm waters	General Powers per Section 35400-35409 of the Water Code
Community Services District (Sections 61000-61934, Government Code)	Supply inhabitants of the district with water for domestic, irrigation, sanitation, industrial, fire protection, and recreation use	Collection, treatment, or disposal of sewage, waste, and storm water	Collection or disposal of garbage or refuse matter, protection against fire, public recreation and parks, play grounds, golf course, etc; street lighting, mosquito abatement, police protection and other security services; library buildings and library services, street improvement, maintenance and repair; construction and improvement of bridges, culverts, curbs, gutters and other drains; conversion of overhead electric and communication facilities to underground locations, contract for ambulance services, provide and maintain public airports and landing places, abate graffiti, construct, maintain and operate flood control facilities and establish improvement districts
County Sanitation District (Sections 4700-4859, Health and Safety Code)	To acquire, construct, control, operate and maintain waterworks, conduits, reservoirs, storage sites and other works and facilities for the production, treatment, storage and distribution of a water supply	To acquire, construct and complete sewage collection, treatment and disposal works	To construct, maintain and operate a refuse transfer or disposal system, to make provisions for street cleaning and street sweeping, other general powers as stated in Sections 4741-4767 of the Health and Safety Code
County Service Area (Sections 25210.1-25211.33, Government Code)	Water Service	Sewer Service	Extended police protection, structural fire protection, local park, recreation, or parkway facilities and services, extended library facilities and services and any other governmental services which the county is authorized by law to provide and which county does not perform to the same extent on a county-wide basis both within and outside city boundaries
County Water District (Sections 30000-33900, Water Code)	Furnish sufficient water throughout the district for any present or future beneficial use. The District has the power for storage, conservation of water and water rights, and the operation of waterworks	Acquisition, construction and operation of facilities for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage, waste, and storm water	Generate and sell electric power, draining and reclaiming lands, provide fire protection, acquire, construct, maintain and operate appropriate or ancillary to the recreational use of water
County Waterworks (Section 55000-55991, Water Code)	The supplying of water for irrigation, domestic, industrial or fire protection purposes, and for the development and conservation of water supplies	Construction, maintenance, and operation of sewage collection and treatment facilities	Acquisition, purification, treatment and reclamation of saline water or sewage or both

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Irrigation District (Sections 20500-29976, Water Code)		Sewage Disposal (if approved by majority at an election, reclaim wastewater)	Provide for drainage made necessary by irrigation, purchase or lease electric power, provide for the acquisition and control of plants for the generation, transmission of electric power, acquire and operate an airport, provide flood control works for districts exceeding a certain size, provide recreation services in connection with district facilities
Municipal Utility District (Sections 11501-14509, Public Utilities Code)	Acquire, construct, own, operate, etc. works to supply the inhabitants of the district with water	Acquire, construct, own, operate, etc. works to supply the inhabitants with collection, treatment or disposition of sewage	Light, power, heat, transportation, telephone services, Electricity, public recreation appurtenant to any water reservoir owned and operated by the district.
Municipal Water District (Sections 71000-73000)	Supply water for beneficial purposes, acquire waterworks or a waterworks system	Construct and operate sanitation facilities	Recreational facilities appurtenant to district facilities, fire protection and emergency medical services including ambulance and paramedic services.
Public Utility District (Sections 15501-18055, Public Utilities Code)	Acquire, construct, own, operate, etc. works to supply the inhabitants of the district with water	Acquire, construct, own, operate, etc. works to supply the inhabitants of the district with sewage services	Light, power, heat, transportation, telephone services, electricity and other communication, garbage, fire department, street lighting, public parks, public playgrounds, swimming pools, public recreation buildings, drainage of roads, streets and public places
Sanitary District (Sections 6400-6830, Health and Safety Code)		Acquisition, planning, construction, reconstruction, alteration, enlargement, laying, renewing replacing, maintenance and operation of sewers, drains, septic tanks and sewerage collection and disposal systems, outfall treatment works, and other sanitary disposal systems	Acquisition, planning, construction, reconstruction, alteration, enlargement, laying, renewing replacing, maintenance and operation of garbage dump sites, garbage collection and disposal systems, storm water drains and storm water collection, outfall and disposal systems and water reclamation and distribution systems, water recycling and distribution systems, other general powers contained in the Health and Safety Code

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